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For: SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER) Date: June 18, 2007
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SYSTEM ADAPTATION USING CONTRACTS)
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Issue Fee Payment Transmittal

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Sir,

Transmitted herewith are the following items:

- 1) Comments on Statement Of Reason of Allowance
- 2) Part B- Issue Fee Transmittal

Respectfully submitted,
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed 05/11/2007, please enter the following:

REMARKS

The Examiner has stated in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance the following: "[t]he major differences in the independent claims 1, 11, 20, and 21 [that] are not found in the prior art of record [include] governing security-related interaction between [a] plurality of components of the system utilizing the criteria of [the] contract...[t]he contract is adjusted by a method selected from the group consisting of deactivation of the contract, modification of the contract, deletion of the contract and activation of different contract [and]...[t]he system includes the intrusion detection module and triggers a reaction based on the security-related interaction" (emphasis added).

In response, applicant points out that at least some of the independent claims (e.g. Claims 1, 11, 20, etc.) are not necessarily limited to at least the emphasized features that the Examiner has highlighted above. Just by way of example, at least some of applicant's independent claims do not specifically state that "[t]he contract is adjusted by a method selected from the group consisting of deactivation of the contract, modification of the contract, deletion of the contract and activation of different contract" (emphasis added), as the Examiner notes.

Clearly, at least some of the independent claims are not necessarily limited to the features that the Examiner has noted above in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, as emphasized above (by way of example only). Instead, each of the claims should only be limited by the language existing therein.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. For payment of

the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NA11P002).

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